

NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION  
LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 72

Introduced by Howard, 9

WHEREAS, Judge Colleen R. Buckley served the youth of Omaha and Douglas County for more than forty years; and

WHEREAS, Judge Buckley was a strong leader for women in the field of law, having been the only woman in her Creighton University graduating class of 1963, at a time in Nebraska when female attorneys were rare; and

WHEREAS, Judge Buckley became the first attorney director of the Omaha Legal Aid Society just one year after graduating fourth in her class from Creighton University; and

WHEREAS, Judge Colleen R. Buckley served as Deputy Douglas County Attorney and prosecuted cases in Juvenile Court from 1968 to 1972; and

WHEREAS, Judge Colleen R. Buckley was the first woman to hold the office of Juvenile Court Judge in Douglas County when she was appointed by Governor J.J. Exon in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Judge Buckley was awarded with honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from the College of St. Mary in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Judge Colleen R. Buckley was the first woman honored by Creighton Law School with the Alumni Merit Award in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Judge Buckley was honored with the Boys Town

"Spirit of Youth" Award in 1999, recognizing her for twenty-one years of helping children while serving on the juvenile court bench.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Nebraska Legislature recognizes and honors the memory of the honorable Judge Colleen R. Buckley and her achievements in improving the lives of children and youth.

2. That the Clerk of the Legislature send a copy of this resolution to the family of honorable Judge Colleen R. Buckley.